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(REV. 07-2004)TRANSMITTAL LETTER TO THE UNITED STATES  
DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US)  
CONCERNING A SUBMISSION UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371

ATTORNEY'S DOCKET NUMBER

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U.S. APPLICATION NO. (if known, see 37 CFR 1.5)

10/516311

INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION NO.  
PCT/JP03/07293INTERNATIONAL FILING DATE  
9 JUNE 2003PRIORITY DATE CLAIMED  
10 JUNE 2002

TITLE OF INVENTION

PROCESSING APPARATUS AND PROCESSING METHOD

APPLICANT(S) FOR DO/EO/US

Tadahiro ISHIZAKA, et al.

Applicant herewith submits to the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) the following items and other information:

1. ☒ This is a **FIRST** submission of items concerning a submission under 35 U.S.C. 371.
2. ☐ This is a **SECOND** or **SUBSEQUENT** submission of items concerning a submission under 35 U.S.C. 371.
3. ☒ This is an express request to begin national examination procedures (35 U.S.C. 371(f)). The submission must include items (5), (6), (9) and (24) indicated below.
4. ☒ The US has been elected (Article 31).
5. ☒ A copy of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371 (c) (2))
  - a. ☐ is attached hereto (required only if not communicated by the International Bureau).
  - b. ☒ has been communicated by the International Bureau.
  - c. ☐ is not required, as the application was filed in the United States Receiving Office (RO/US).
6. ☒ An English language translation of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2)).
  - a. ☒ is attached hereto.
  - b. ☐ has been previously submitted under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4).
7. ☒ Amendments to the claims of the International Application under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371 (c)(3))
  - a. ☐ are attached hereto (required only if not communicated by the International Bureau).
  - b. ☐ have been communicated by the International Bureau.
  - c. ☐ have not been made; however, the time limit for making such amendments has NOT expired.
  - d. ☒ have not been made and will not be made.
8. ☐ An English language translation of the amendments to the claims under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3)).
9. ☐ An oath or declaration of the inventor(s) (35 U.S.C. 371 (c)(4)).
10. ☐ An English language translation of the annexes to the International Preliminary Examination Report under PCT Article 36 (35 U.S.C. 371 (c)(5)).
11. ☐ A copy of the International Preliminary Examination Report (PCT/IPEA/409).
12. ☒ A copy of the International Search Report (PCT/ISA/210).

## Items 13 to 23 below concern document(s) or information included:

13. ☐ An Information Disclosure Statement under 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98.
14. ☐ An assignment document for recording. A separate cover sheet in compliance with 37 CFR 3.28 and 3.31 is included.
15. ☐ A **FIRST** preliminary amendment.
16. ☐ A **SECOND** or **SUBSEQUENT** preliminary amendment.
17. ☐ A substitute specification.
18. ☐ A power of attorney and/or change of address letter.
19. ☐ A computer-readable form of the sequence listing in accordance with PCT Rule 13ter.2 and 37 CFR 1.821 - 1.825.
20. ☐ A second copy of the published International Application under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4).
21. ☐ A second copy of the English language translation of the International Application under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4).
22. ☐ Express Mail Label No.
23. ☒ Other items or information:

Application Data Sheet

Request for Consideration of Documents Cited in International Search Report

Notice of Priority

Drawings (7 Sheets)

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| U.S. APPLICATION NO. (if known, see 37 CFR 1.5)<br><b>10/516311</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |              | INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION NO.<br><b>PCT/JP03/07293</b> |                          | ATTORNEY'S DOCKET NUMBER<br><b>263194US3PCT</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |  |                   |  |                 |  |               |  |                 |  |               |  |                   |  |               |  |                   |  |               |  |                   |  |               |  |                   |  |               |  |                   |  |                               |           |                |           |
| 24. The following fees are submitted:<br><b>BASIC NATIONAL FEE (37 CFR 1.492(a)(1)-(5)) :</b><br><input type="checkbox"/> Neither international preliminary examination fee (37 CFR 1.482) nor international search fee (37 CFR 1.445(a)(2)) paid to USPTO and International Search Report not prepared by the EPO or JPO ..... \$1110.00<br><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> International preliminary examination fee (37 CFR 1.482) not paid to USPTO but International Search Report prepared by the EPO or JPO ..... \$1000.00<br><input type="checkbox"/> International preliminary examination fee (37 CFR 1.482) not paid to USPTO but international search fee (37 CFR 1.445(a)(2)) paid to USPTO ..... \$790.00<br><input type="checkbox"/> International preliminary examination fee (37 CFR 1.482) paid to USPTO but all claims did not satisfy provisions of PCT Article 33(1)-(4) ..... \$750.00<br><input type="checkbox"/> International preliminary examination fee (37 CFR 1.482) paid to USPTO and all claims satisfied provisions of PCT Article 33(1)-(4) ..... \$100.00<br><b>ENTER APPROPRIATE BASIC FEE AMOUNT =</b> |              |                                                        |                          | <b>CALCULATIONS PTO USE ONLY</b><br><br><table border="1" style="width:100%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <tr> <td style="width:50%;"><b>\$1,000.00</b></td> <td style="width:50%;"></td> </tr> <tr> <td><b>\$130.00</b></td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td><b>\$0.00</b></td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td><b>\$200.00</b></td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td><b>\$0.00</b></td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td><b>\$1,330.00</b></td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td><b>\$0.00</b></td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td><b>\$1,330.00</b></td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td><b>\$0.00</b></td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td><b>\$1,330.00</b></td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td><b>\$0.00</b></td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td><b>\$1,330.00</b></td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td><b>\$0.00</b></td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td><b>\$1,330.00</b></td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td><b>Amount to be: refunded</b></td> <td><b>\$</b></td> </tr> <tr> <td><b>charged</b></td> <td><b>\$</b></td> </tr> </table> |  | <b>\$1,000.00</b> |  | <b>\$130.00</b> |  | <b>\$0.00</b> |  | <b>\$200.00</b> |  | <b>\$0.00</b> |  | <b>\$1,330.00</b> |  | <b>\$0.00</b> |  | <b>\$1,330.00</b> |  | <b>\$0.00</b> |  | <b>\$1,330.00</b> |  | <b>\$0.00</b> |  | <b>\$1,330.00</b> |  | <b>\$0.00</b> |  | <b>\$1,330.00</b> |  | <b>Amount to be: refunded</b> | <b>\$</b> | <b>charged</b> | <b>\$</b> |
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| Surcharge of \$130.00 for furnishing the oath or declaration later than <input type="checkbox"/> 20 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 30 months from the earliest claimed priority date (37 CFR 1.492(e)).                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |              |                                                        |                          |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |  |                   |  |                 |  |               |  |                 |  |               |  |                   |  |               |  |                   |  |               |  |                   |  |               |  |                   |  |               |  |                   |  |                               |           |                |           |
| CLAIMS                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          | NUMBER FILED | NUMBER EXTRA                                           | RATE                     |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |  |                   |  |                 |  |               |  |                 |  |               |  |                   |  |               |  |                   |  |               |  |                   |  |               |  |                   |  |               |  |                   |  |                               |           |                |           |
| Total claims                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    | 8 - 20 =     | 0                                                      | x \$50.00                | <b>\$0.00</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |  |                   |  |                 |  |               |  |                 |  |               |  |                   |  |               |  |                   |  |               |  |                   |  |               |  |                   |  |               |  |                   |  |                               |           |                |           |
| Independent claims                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              | 4 - 3 =      | 1                                                      | x \$200.00               | <b>\$200.00</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |  |                   |  |                 |  |               |  |                 |  |               |  |                   |  |               |  |                   |  |               |  |                   |  |               |  |                   |  |               |  |                   |  |                               |           |                |           |
| Multiple Dependent Claims (check if applicable).                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |              |                                                        | <input type="checkbox"/> | <b>\$0.00</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |  |                   |  |                 |  |               |  |                 |  |               |  |                   |  |               |  |                   |  |               |  |                   |  |               |  |                   |  |               |  |                   |  |                               |           |                |           |
| <b>TOTAL OF ABOVE CALCULATIONS =</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |              |                                                        |                          | <b>\$1,330.00</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |  |                   |  |                 |  |               |  |                 |  |               |  |                   |  |               |  |                   |  |               |  |                   |  |               |  |                   |  |               |  |                   |  |                               |           |                |           |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27. The fees indicated above are reduced by 1/2.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |              |                                                        |                          | <b>\$0.00</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |  |                   |  |                 |  |               |  |                 |  |               |  |                   |  |               |  |                   |  |               |  |                   |  |               |  |                   |  |               |  |                   |  |                               |           |                |           |
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| Processing fee of \$130.00 for furnishing the English translation later than <input type="checkbox"/> 20 <input type="checkbox"/> 30 months from the earliest claimed priority date (37 CFR 1.492(f)).                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |              |                                                        |                          | <b>\$0.00</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |  |                   |  |                 |  |               |  |                 |  |               |  |                   |  |               |  |                   |  |               |  |                   |  |               |  |                   |  |               |  |                   |  |                               |           |                |           |
| <b>TOTAL NATIONAL FEE =</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |              |                                                        |                          | <b>\$1,330.00</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |  |                   |  |                 |  |               |  |                 |  |               |  |                   |  |               |  |                   |  |               |  |                   |  |               |  |                   |  |               |  |                   |  |                               |           |                |           |
| Fee for recording the enclosed assignment (37 CFR 1.21(h)). The assignment must be accompanied by an appropriate cover sheet (37 CFR 3.28, 3.31) (check if applicable).                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |              |                                                        | <input type="checkbox"/> | <b>\$0.00</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |  |                   |  |                 |  |               |  |                 |  |               |  |                   |  |               |  |                   |  |               |  |                   |  |               |  |                   |  |               |  |                   |  |                               |           |                |           |
| <b>TOTAL FEES ENCLOSED =</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |              |                                                        |                          | <b>\$1,330.00</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |  |                   |  |                 |  |               |  |                 |  |               |  |                   |  |               |  |                   |  |               |  |                   |  |               |  |                   |  |               |  |                   |  |                               |           |                |           |

- a. ☐ A check in the amount of \_\_\_\_\_ to cover the above fees is enclosed.
- b. ☐ Please charge my Deposit Account No. \_\_\_\_\_ in the amount of \_\_\_\_\_ to cover the above fees.
- c. ☒ The Director is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 15-0030
- d. ☒ Fees are to be charged to a credit card. **WARNING:** Information on this form may become public. Credit card information should not be included on this form. Provide credit card information and authorization on PTO-2038.

**NOTE:** Where an appropriate time limit under 37 CFR 1.494 or 1.495 has not been met, a petition to revive (37 CFR 1.137(a) or (b)) must be filed and granted to restore the International Application to pending status.

SEND ALL CORRESPONDENCE TO:

Customer No. 22850

**Surinder Sachar**  
**Registration No. 34,423**

SIGNATURE

**C. Irvin McClelland**

NAME

**21,124**

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